

Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church

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TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (OT 21) - 22 AUGUST 2021

MOST REV. STEVEN J. LOPES, Bishop

REV. FATHER MARK W. LEWIS, Pastor

REV. FATHER JON JENKINS, Parochial Vicar

REV. MR. MICHAEL D'AGOSTINO, Deacon

REV. MR. DAVID DELANEY, Deacon

REV. MR. RANDALL KING, Deacon

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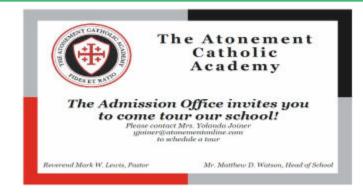
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I PASTORAL EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Emergency Pastoral Care Hot Line: Please call 210-370-7838 . Emergency calls only including last rites, anointing, and imminent death. For anything else please call the number below.

Sacraments for the Homebound: Please call and leave message at 210-695-2944 ext 126.



AMASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5 p.m. Sunday 7 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m., and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday 7 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m., and 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Wednesday 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday 7:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.



Sun, Aug 22 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity (OT 21) Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b / Ephesians 5:2a, 25-32 / John 6:60-69
5 p.m. Intention for Erica Lizama
7 a.m. Frank & Cecile Verkaik, Departed
9 a.m. Intention for Gabriel Garza
11 a.m. Intention for the People of the Parish
5 p.m. Laura B. Pecha, Departed
Mon, Aug 23 St Rose of Lima, Virgin 2 Corinthians 10:17-11:2 / Matthew 13:44-46
7 a.m. Alice M. Rosa, Departed

Tue, Aug 24 St Bartholomew, Apostle Revelation 21:9b-14 / John 1:45-517 a.m. Intention for Helen A. McMahon

Wed, Aug 25 St Louis & St Joseph Calasanz, Priest Isaiah 58:6-11 / Matthew 22:34-40 7 a.m. Henry & Madeline Dum, Departed

Thu, Aug 26 Feria 1 Thessalonians 3:7-13 / Matthew 24:42-51 7 a.m. Intention for Carina Moselina

Fri, Aug 27 St Monica Sirach 26:1-4, 13-16 / Luke 7:11-17 7 a.m. John Henry Dum, Departed

Sat, Aug 28 St Augustine of Hippo, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

1 John 4:7-16 / Matthew 23:8-12 7 a.m. Intention for Renata Semrad

Vigil Mass Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity (OT22) 5 p.m. Intention for Anna Avila

PRAYER REQUESTS

Brothers & Sisters,

We ask that you keep the following members in your prayers.

- Peggy Whiteside
- Jonathan Semrad and children
- The Hivnor family
- Terelyn Santos
- The Moore family

If you would like to add someone to this list, please send an email, with that person's full name, to joliveros@atonementonline.com.



We continue to be grateful to those of you who have so generously contributed to our Parish. Your sacrifice and support have enabled us to remain financially sound during these difficult & uncertain times.

Have you considered simplifying your giving through our online giving portal? You can automatically send your tithe from your checking account or debit/credit card – just as you may do now with your bills. You can enroll by going to the offertory link on our website at www.ourladyoftheatonement.org. You can continue to support us in the following ways:

<u>Online Giving</u>-Go to our website and click on the "Offertory" link, select "Offertory Collections" in the fund box, and then fill in the amount of your tithe. Please consider making your tithe recurring.

<u>At Mass-Bring your tithe to Mass.</u>

<u>Mail Your Check</u>-Attn: Business Office, Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church, 15415 Red Robin Rd, San Antonio, TX 78255.

SAVE THE DATE

Women of Grace Retreat

Made for Joy: The Call and Gift of the Catholic Woman.

Join us, September 16—18, 2021, here at Our Lady of the Atonement Catholic Church, for praise and worship music, prayer, adoration, healing service, and dynamic presentations.

Come together again with sisters in Christ, while learning about your true call and gift as a Catholic woman in the world today! We will explore the pathways to joy provided to us by God through the gift of womanhood, prayer, Our Blessed Mother and her spouse, the Holy Spirit, and the examples of great Saints!

Speakers include Johnnette B. Williams, Fr. Matthias of the Immaculate Heart, O.C.D., Melissa Maleski, and more.

The weekend begins with a Benedicta Enrichment Seminar, Thursday and Friday, September 16—17, 2021, followed by the retreat on Saturday, September 18, 2021. Visit www.womenofgrace.com for specific dates and times, and to register.



Practices will start soon and we are still in need of coaches!! We also need volunteers in other areas.

If interested, or if you have any questions, please contact Jose Oliveros at 210-884-2992 or via email at joliveros@atonementonline.com.



PLEASE JOIN US!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Sacred Heart Chapel—Friday 7:45 a.m. to Sunday 7:15 a.m. Parish Family Adoration Hour First Wednesday of the month—7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament First Saturday after the 7 a.m. Mass. Morning and Evening Prayer Mon—Sun, 6:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m. Parish Rosary Saturday after the 7 a.m. Mass

🚯 New Parish Ministries

FOR LADIES THAT HAVE MISCARRIED "GOD'S COMFORT IN LOSS" with the PATRON SAINT FILOMENA

A group of ladies has put together this ministry to deliver care boxes to moms that have miscarried a baby. If you know of a lady who has miscarried and is in need of a care box, please let us know.

We are also accepting donations for this cause. So far many ladies have donated: Candles, crosses, handmade cookies, earrings, teas, Epsom salts, holy water, diaries, and more.

We are also available to talk to the mom that has lost her baby. Some ladies have volunteered to be available to listen to these wonderful mothers (we are not therapists, we are mothers who have had miscarriages in the past.)

Fr. Lewis was kind enough to approve a monthly mass for the intention of this ministry. The masses will be held every 3rd day of every month starting in November of 2021.



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Contact us at <u>Godscomfortinloss@gmail.com</u> or scan this QR bar code. Thank you, Marcela Elsner, Renee Keller, and Claire Jenkins.



INQUIRY CLASSES TO BEGIN TODAY!

A new series of Inquiry Class sessions begins today, August 22, 2021.

These classes help those considering entering full

communion with the Catholic Church (or returning to it) to understand what the Catholic Church teaches and why. We also invite practicing Catholics already in full communion as a way to brush up on their faith. The goal is to guide each interested person to better understand and embrace the Catholic Way, the Fullness of the Truth, and the Sacramental Life of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.

Classes meet on Sundays from 10:30 a.m. until 12 noon in the Common Room (#201). If you or someone you know would benefit from these classes, please plan to attend, and encourage others to attend also.

Please visit our Inquiry Page on the parish website @ www.ourladyoftheatonement.org/learn/adult-inquiry.

Point of contact is Alan Becker at 210-273-9426 or at email at alanmbecker@gmail.com.

ATTENTION ALL CATHOLIC SINGLES!



The time has come to meet other Catholic singles! You are ready! Join us at Rosario's Mexican Restaurant & Lounge (San Pedro location) on August 28 at 5 p.m. for

a Happy Hour Mixer. We'll be in the bar/lounge area. Interested? Send an email to SACathdating@gmail.com for more details. Like us on Facebook: San Antonio Catholic Single Speed Dating.

MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Catherine School, Email: schoolcat@att.net or call 210-275-5104 Sacred Heart Chapel; every Friday at 7:45 a.m. through Sunday at 6:15 a.m.

Adult Inquiry Class: Alan Becker-Email: alanmbecker@gmail.com, 210-273-9426

American Heritage Girls: Veronica Tovar, AHG Coordinator, or Catherine Henriquez, AHG Vice Coordinator Email: ahgtroop0814@gmail.com, 210-695-2240 ext. 109

Atonement Moms Group: https://OurLadyofAtonement.flocknote/AtonementMoms

Culture of Life Ministry: Phil Sevilla-Email: philsevilla@att.net, 210-784-0518

CYO: Jose Oliveros-Email: joliveros@atonementonline.com, 210-884-2992

Fr. Paul of Graymoor Knights of Columbus Council #16730: Grand Knight Phil Tait, 210-382-7842

Fulton Sheen Catechism: Thomas Dum, 361-571-5541

God's Comfort in Loss (after miscarriage): Marcela Elsner, Renee Keller, & Claire Jenkins Send email to Godscomfortinloss@gmail.com

Nonnatus New Moms Ministry: Rebecca Gisla –Email: nonnatusmeals@gmail.com, 210-278-4242

Rosary Guild: Catherine School-Email: schoolcat@att.net, 210-275-5104 Grace Howard, 210-887-8562

Sacraments for the Homebound: Please call & leave a message, 210-695-2944 ext. 126

St. Cuthbert Home Visitation Ministry: Dr. Jesus Garcia Gallegos-Email: jgarcia.gallegos@gmail.com, 210-993-2127

St. Joseph the Worker Prayer Group: Bill Vogt, 913-961-2981 Meets every Wednesday at 6 a.m.

St. Stephen's Guild for Altar Servers, Ushers, & Greeters: John Weems-Email: jweems@atonementonline.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 210-695-2944 ext.160

The Altar Guild: Jessica Coleman, 210-479-5863



Weekly classes will start on Sep 9 and will be held on Thursdays from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. for grades Pre K through third , and from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. for grades fourth through sixth.

Exclusively for Atonement students and children of parishioners. Cost is \$14 per class with a \$15 registration fee.

Registration on line only at www.spanishclubsa.com.

Contact Ana Rangel at 210-844-3746

PRO BONO COUNSELING

St Dymphna Pro Bono Counseling Services Stephen G. School, LPC-Intern, TX License # 77390 LPC-Supervisor: E. Suzanne Carter To schedule an appointment text or call (210) 601-2204

JOIN THE PARISH CHOIR

Our parish Adult Choir is now welcoming any adult who would like to join us and augment the liturgy through music. While there is no audition, prior choral experience and the ability to read music are helpful. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For questions or additional information, please contact the Director of Music, Mr. Alejandro Oliveros, at aoliveros@atonementonline.com

· BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Items for publication in the Parish Bulletin must be received no later than the Sunday prior to requested publication date.</u> <u>Send via email to elizama@atonementonline.com</u>

GOSPEL MEDITATION

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 22 August 2021

"Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods." We struggle with our gods. They appear in the forms of things like money, power, prestige, popularity, privilege, and self-fulfillment. We like these "gods" because they make us feel good and ask very little of us in return. When we worship them, we worship ourselves. How can you go wrong with that? We buy into the illusion that if something can give us a comfortable life, free of want and need, then it is worth setting other things aside to pursue it. In essence, we sell our souls. Our struggle with "who is God" and to whom do we belong is a real one and one that can easily find us empty and experiencing disillusionment.

The devil tempted Jesus in the desert and promised him more. We are promised "more." But in pursuing the more and the satisfying we lose track of the cost, and the cost is great. We sacrifice our very life in pursuit of something disguised as life. We sacrifice truth for something that only "feels" true. While the true and real God certainly promises us many things, many things are also required. It is not about the warm and secure feelings and self-absorption the world wants to provide, but of giving back. There can be no lukewarm stance with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God's kingdom (not our own), love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, that we must die to ourselves in order to find ourselves, and trust that Jesus truly gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. These are hard things to accept and even harder to put into practice. It is no wonder that many, who may be attracted to Jesus at first, walk away in pursuit of the more self-satisfying gods.

But truth is truth. If we cannot accept it from the lips of Jesus Christ, then where else will we find it? To whom can we go? There is only one source of truth and life, Jesus Christ. Jesus has the words of eternal life and if we do not go to him, then where else will we find this gift? But we must be faithful and buy into the whole package deal that requires sacrifice and fidelity. When we do, we find ourselves, through the Body and Blood of Christ, connected to the Source of all life and then intimately bound with our brothers and sisters. We all have to decide whether we want to stay or go and if we can accept what Jesus has to say. It's a choice we all have to make.



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